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## Town Sustains TM At Town Meeting

The Town of Wilmington, in Town Meeting, Monday and Tuesday, sustained the Town Manager, by voting his recommendations in all but three instances. Two of the changes were distinctly a surprise to TM Cushing, but he had expected the third, which was to vote against his recommendations for water extensions. He shrugged off the third item very philosophically.

The two changes that the TM did not expect, and which the town voted, was in the salary of the Principal Assessor, which was cut \$200, and in a \$1 increase for the expenses of the Finance Committee. The cutting of the salary of the Principal Assessor has been interpreted as dissatisfaction with the assessing program in Wilmington. The \$1 increase for the Finance Committee was made perhaps, in a spirit of fun, but basically was a reproof to the Finance Committee for not working closely with other committees.

The unfinished office building of the J. W. Greer plant, on Main Street was the scene of the annual Town Meeting, for 1953, which began on Monday night. About 427 voters were present, to participate in the meeting Monday night, which was quite lively at times, and in which so much time was used in arguments over controversial items that the meeting failed to complete Article 4, expenses of the Town, and salaries and wages of the Town Offices. Some observers were heard to describe the actions, during the debate on this article, as a "hog-wallow."

The meeting was called to order at 8:09 p.m. by the new Moderator, Ralph Currier. The Rev. Otis Maxfield, of Wilmington Methodist Church offered a prayer, to open the meeting.

Kenneth Lyons, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen introduced Fred Greer, President of the Greer Company, who spoke on the pride that the Greer Company felt, because it could have the Town Meeting in its new building. Greer described how the plant was on a site that a few short years ago was merely a place of trees and bushes. He com-

plimented the town officials, and spoke of the feeling that Greer had had, two years ago, at the first Town meeting he had attended, and how he felt afraid that his firm was not wanted here.

At the present time, Greer said, about two-thirds of the Greer machinery is in the new plant, and this includes some 500 tons of steel which has been moved, and the office is to be moved out in a couple of months.

Greer now has about 340 employees, of which 46 live in Wilmington, 92 in other towns, (about 40 per cent) in this area. He cited these figures, he said, because he had been asked two years ago if there would be a chance for Wilmington people.

Greer ended by thanking all the people for their kindness. The Greer people, he stated, had no regrets from having located in Wilmington.

### Article 2

Following the talk by Fred Greer, the Moderator called the Article 2. Kenneth Lyons moved that all actions, votes and proceedings of the Town Meeting of October 30, 1952, as reported on Page 118 of the Town Report be ratified by the town, on a standing vote. He spoke briefly of the past experiences of the town, and explained the necessity of voting the Wildwood School again. The vote, by the town, was unanimous, in favor of the motion. 334 persons voted for the motion, and no one against.

### Article 3

Article 3, to hear reports of the committees, and act thereon. Larz Neilson reported for the Water Extension Committee, which was accepted. The Union Health Department Committee report was read by Dr. Harmon, and accepted. E. Hayward Bliss read the report of the School Building Committee which was accepted. Bliss reported that about \$11,000 had been saved because the town had cleared the site for the new school instead of having it done by contractors.

He also reported that the school will not be ready to occupy until after the Christmas holidays.

### Article 4

Up to this time there had been nothing in the nature of a contest, but those persons who had come looking for such a contest soon had all they wanted, as Article 4, pertaining to salaries and expenses of the town offices, was brought up for discussion at 8:37 p.m.

Herbert Barrows, Chairman of the Finance Committee moved the article, and further moved that each individual item be considered separately. He explained that the connotation "1953, Town Meeting Requests" was a printers error, he having made an entry of TM Requests, for Town Manager Requests. His explanation was greeted with laughter.

The Town Manager salary of \$6600, up \$600, was voted without comment. The Town Auditor salary, for a new position of a full time employee, was amended from \$4200 to \$3600, on motion of Barrows, who explained that part of the

year had already passed.

After the Moderator had read the sum of \$2500 for Town Treasurer, Larz Neilson moved to amend it to \$2700. He explained that he believed that not only the Town Treasurer, but the Town Clerk, Town Collector and Assessor-Clerk should have their salaries raised to \$2700.

Neilson said that he would make all the arguments for these four officers at one time, in order to save the town meeting time, and he would abide by the vote of the first item. If the people voted down the first item he would not submit amendments for the other three salaries.

Neilson cited the salaries of a new school teacher, at \$2500, as compared to the fact that these town employees, in their positions for four or five years were still getting only \$2500, whereas teachers enjoyed an automatic increase of \$100 a year, and the protection of tenure, after 3 years. The employees in the town hall did not enjoy protection, Neilson said. He cited higher figures, for similar positions in other towns.

Dean Cushing, Town Manager, replied to Neilson. He spoke of the time spent. He refuted Neilson's statement that the Town Manager had made no studies of the salaries of the lower paid individual. He further stated that in Wilmington the responsibilities did not rest on the Town Officials, they rested on the shoulders of the Town Manager. Many people who live in Wilmington work in Boston, in Banks and Counting Houses, for less than these people get. Cushing also referred to the Addressograph, to be purchased and said that this would reduce a lot of regular functions of the employees.

Cushing stated that at some time in the future, and he was careful to exclude the present clerks, there would be a combination Collector Clerk position. He added up the money received by three persons, as \$7900, and said that this was a lot of money. Cushing finished up by stating that the Charter gave him the power to set the wages of the town employees, and that he didn't intend to give in to "pressure groups."

The vote was called for, and the Moderator declared that the amendment had lost, whereupon Walter Buck and seven others questioned the vote. A count by the tellers showed that 81 persons had voted in favor, and 229 had voted against. The Chair declared the amendment lost.

The Town Treasurer, Collector and Clerk were then voted salaries of \$2500 each.

### Assessors Salaries Fight

In routine fashion, the vote proceeded. The Moderator asked for a vote on the Principal Assessor, up to \$4200 from \$4000 last year. To the surprise of many persons, there was a vociferous "No" and the Chair declared that he was in doubt, and asked for a rising vote. The result was announced as 114 in favor and 138 opposed, whereupon the Moderator declared the motion lost. He started on the salary of Assessor Clerk, but David Elfman interrupted to state that a salary had to be voted, and he therefore offered an amendment of \$4100. There were cries of "No."

Elfman went on to explain that this office was required by our by-laws, and that like it or not, the town would have to vote a salary. There was considerable confusion concerning the propriety of Elfman's motion, and the Town Counsel was called, for an opinion. Town Counsel Buzzell stated that he thought Elfman was in order, and

## 1953 TAX RATE \$47 OR LESS

The 1953 tax rate, when it is announced, will be no more than \$47, and it could be as little as \$46.00. The exact figures can not be announced until the Assessors have finished computing the assessed valuation of the town, as of January 1st.

The town voted a total of \$853,149.13, at the Town Meeting, on Monday and Tuesday. It has to pay \$53,317.60 for County Tax, Overlay, etc, making the total cost of town government for 1953 \$906,466.73.

To be deducted from this sum is a total of \$437,425.14, comprising the following: Anticipated Revenue \$315,000. Transfers from Available Funds \$119,130.13, and over-assessment of 1952 County costs \$3,295.01.

This leaves the sum of \$469,041.59 to be raised by taxation. With a \$10,000,000 valuation the tax rate would then figure at \$46.904,159, but taxes are always announced to the nearest dollar, or half dollar, which would make a tax rate of \$47.

If there should be as much as \$250,000 in addition, in the valuation, the tax rate would work out at \$1.17 less, or approximately \$46.00.

The tax rate for 1952 was \$56 per thousand dollars valuation.

### PERMITS ARE NECESSARY FOR OPEN FIRES

The Wilmington Fire Department with a record of 17 brush fires in 9 days, since the 1st of March, is expecting more trouble as the weather continues dry.

Permits for open fires are necessary, and the firemen wish that the people of the town would remember this.

The Fire Department will give permits, weather permitting, in response to a telephone call. The number, they want everyone to know is Wilmington 3346, for permits.

## BASKETBALL - TEACHERS VS VARSITY MARCH 13TH

An event of the year, for the pupils of Wilmington High School, and the aficionados of the sport of basketball, is the annual game between the basketball Varsity, and the teachers of Wilmington High.

The game, this year, is to be in Burlington High School, on March 13th.

The Varsity squad promises that this will be "The Greatest Show On Earth". They will be playing a mighty tough team, having for their opponents such well known sportmen as Messrs. Baglione, O'Doherty, Barrett, DeLuca and Cushing. The game starts at 8 p.m.

The girls, too, are promising that this will be an event of the year, and in more ways than one. The Wilmington teachers should be well worth watching, for in addition to being good players, they have more than their share of good looks, in fact, the game should be lovely.

Playing for the High School teachers will be Misses Triantafillou, Plevock, Sharp, Lewis and Mary Welling, of Fay St., who has been doing some substitute work in Wilmington High School.

Well worth watching! Tickets are 60 cents for adults and 30 cents for pupils.

### LOST GIRL FOUND ON WILDCAT RAILROAD

Little Janet Bradley, 3 years old, of Bow Street, Tewksbury was found wandering on the tracks of the Lawrence Branch Railroad, at 5:15 p.m., March 6th.

She was discovered by Patty Bennett, 15, Middlesex Avenue, and Jean Ashworth 14, of Church Street. Janet was taken to the home of her aunt, Mrs. Ashwood, of Tewksbury.

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## THE ST. PATRICK'S GAME

There was an episode of the game with St. Patrick's, at Chelmsford that has struck us on the raw side. The boys in the Wilmington team have been instructed to be courteous. We don't claim that they adhere strictly to this rule, but we think they try. Included in their instructions is an admonition that if a foul is called by an umpire, and it isn't understood by the team, one of the Captain's shall inquire, courteously, as to the nature of the foul.

We are told that the umpire's reply was "One more word out of you, and you'll be out of the game!"

A foul was called, and one of our Co-Captain's inquired.

## GAMMA GLOBULIN

There is a new weapon against paralysis from polio—Gamma Globulin. Recent experiments have given mankind a powerful weapon against the paralyzing effect of poliomyelitis, Gamma Globulin, a derivative of blood.

To make effective use of the new weapon, the Office of Defense Mobilization requested the Red Cross to expand its defense blood-collections to provide the maximum amount of globulin necessary. Now, so that children may be spared a lifetime of handicap, the Red Cross, with its extensive experience and nationwide blood-collecting facilities, has entered into the project.

This new responsibility will draw heavily upon the financial and voluntary resources of the organization. This year it will cost the Red Cross \$7,000,000 above its other budgetary requirements. The 1953 fund goal is \$93,000,000.

It takes a little more than one pint of whole blood to produce an average dose of gamma globulin. This globulin contains antibodies that attack the polio virus. One dose may protect an individual against the paralysis from polio for the period of the second through the fifth week following injection. If it follows pattern, polio may strike in epidemic proportions in at least 150 countries next summer, and it is estimated that at least 2 million children in those areas may be exposed. Working round the clock, at full capacity, biological laboratories that are equipped to produce gamma globulin can provide only a part of the serum needed in time for the next epidemic season.

Since gamma globulin also will be needed for measles modification and prevention of infectious hepatitis, the need will far exceed the supply. Thus to provide equitable distribution, the government established an allocating and distributing agency. The Red Cross will not have this responsibility.

In addition to providing gamma globulin, the Red Cross must continue collecting blood to meet the day-by-day needs of civilian hospitals, of the Korean wounded, and of the nation's plasma and albumin reserve. In all, the Red Cross - and private blood banks, cooperating with it - must collect blood at the rate of 5 million pints a year.

You can help, by donating, both blood and money. This year, as never before, your help is needed.

It is up to you!

## THANKS TO GREER

We believe we are speaking for the people of the town, when we record the fact that we are grateful to the J. W. Greer Company, of Main Street, for allowing the town to use their unfinished office building for the town meeting.

The J. W. Greer Company put themselves at a disadvantage, to do this. They stopped necessary work, in making partitions for their offices in order that the space be available to the town and thus delayed their own building program.

For the town we say a big hearty THANK YOU.

## WHAT THE CHIEF OF POLICE PROPOSED

The figures cited by the Chief of Police, which figures were at the bottom of the controversy, Monday night, was for, as everyone understood, a pay raise for the police department.

Chief Lynch took the Town Manager figures	\$ 27,330
Added 6% for Cost of Living Increase	1,640
Added difference represented for an additional 3 months for three men at his (Lynch's) figures	3,800
Added \$200 for extra help	200
Added \$146 which he proposed for clerk's raise	146
	\$ 33,116

Chief Lynch then finished his remarks about the cost by stating that "This is not the terrific amount of \$6,414.00 as it appears when comparing budgets, but the actual difference is about \$678.00!"

## THE VOTE OF THE POLICE QUESTION

We heard a number of persons doubt the correctness of the final vote, on the question of Police Salaries, at Monday night's meeting.

These persons were threatening to take the matter to the District Attorney, in what apparently was a belief that the

proceedings were illegal. We believe they based their thoughts on the fact that some persons had left the hall, after the voice vote was announced, and before Selectman Lyons doubted the vote.

Selectman Lyons had every right to doubt the vote. It is the privilege of every citizen. The fact that some people were hasty and left immediately has no bearing on the legality of what happened after they left.

In our opinion, although there was considerable confusion, everything was in accordance with parliamentary procedure, and the final vote, as announced, was valid.

## WANTED - BLOOD

The American Red Cross will have a Blood Donor Station, at the Roman House, on March 26th. As of the present writing, it is not known whether the times will be from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. or from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m., but donors are wanted, badly, to supply blood for the fighting men, and also to supply blood for the

At least 200 donors are wanted, but if more sign up, they can be accommodated, by having a larger team present.

If you can donate, please clip out the form below, fill it in, and send to BLOOD - BOX 506, Wilmington.

If you can donate only at a specific time, please state so on the form. If you are available for any time during the afternoon, it will be appreciated if you say "Any time". You will be notified by telephone of the time set.

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Parent or Guardian

Witness

## WHO MAY OR MAY NOT DONATE

1. Ages—Donors are accepted between the ages of 18 and thru the 59th year. Donors who are between 18 and 21 years old must have a release signed by parent or guardian unless they are married or are in the armed services.

2. Sex—Both sexes are accepted.

3. Race—All races are accepted.

4. Eating—Donors are advised to eat a substantial meal at least four hours before donating. No butter, cream, eggs, fat meat or thick soups should be eaten within four hours of donation. You may recommend that donors take some orange juice, tea or coffee without cream and some crackers or simple cookies just before coming to donate.

5. Health—Only donors in normal health will be accepted. The simple tests taken at the clinic (hemoglobin, temperature, pulse and blood pressure) determine whether or not donors who have had minor operations can donate; much will depend on the cooperation and period of illness.

6. Pregnancy—No women donors are accepted during pregnancy or for a year after baby's birth.

7. Surgical operations—May donate after six months. The physician in charge of the unit will

determine whether or not donors who have had minor operations can donate; much will depend on the operation and period of illness. Tooth extractions without abscess may be accepted after one week.

8. Jaundice—Donors who have had jaundice after first year (age 1) may not donate at the present time. The rejected donor may give blood for research purposes by telephoning JA 40456 or by writing to the Blood Characterization & Preservation Laboratory, 281 South Street, Jamaica Plain, Mass.

Jaundice Contact—No contact with viral hepatitis within 6 months.

9. Malaria—One year after last attack donor may give blood to be used in the preparation of liquid plasma or plasma fractions.

10. Donations—Donors may donate every eight weeks, but not more than five times during the year.

11. Anti-Malaria Drugs—one year after intensive suppressive therapy without history of malarial chills or other symptoms may give blood for plasma or plasma fractions. No one with a history of malaria or anti-malarial therapy will be used as a donor for whole blood.

12. Immunization or Injection—One week must elapse since last injection. Yellow Fever—2 weeks after injection—Rabies Immunization—2 years.

13. Blood Transfusion—Must have received no blood in past six months.

14. Weight—Although 110 pounds is stipulated, physicians may use their judgement and accept those slightly under this weight if they appear healthy and normal in every other respect.

## P T A OPEN HOUSE MARCH 16 AND 17

The Public Schools of Wilmington will be open to visitors, on March 16th and 17th.

A bi-annual event, sponsored by the Wilmington Parent Teachers Association, the Open House is designed to afford the parents of the pupils a chance to observe the methods and results of the teaching practices in Wilmington Schools.

Teachers in the schools will be present, in their classrooms during the evening hours, to talk with the parents who may visit.

In the grade schools the teachers of Grades 1 through 6 will be in their classrooms on Monday night, 7 to 9 p.m. March 15th. Grades 7 through 12 will be having open house on Tuesday, March 17th, from 7 to 9 p.m.

The Open House will take the place of the regular meeting of the PTA.

In April, after the regular business meeting, on the 4th, there will be a whist party, to raise funds to supplement the Scholarship Fund. The meeting date has been changed to the 4th, because of the vacation later in the month.

## "MARCH WIND"

The wind of March is a lonesome soul,

That wanders from the wood,  
A wailing beggar seeking dole,  
Hungry for the human food.

He groans outside the window pane,

And tries with hidden hand  
To toss into my closed domain  
Old withered leaves and sand.

What do you seek winter wind?

What makes you rage and howl?  
Are you a spirit, once unkind,  
Now doomed to beg and prow!

Or are you a despondent soul

Still searching in the frost,  
Some precious long neglected goal,  
Or dear one that you lost?

A deep despair possess you

To make you moan around,  
An anger makes you toss and shoo,  
The dead leaves from the ground.

Are you a sweeper from the skies

To waken up the earth?  
A kind one in a rough disguise  
That heals an ancient hurt?

Blow hard March wind and overthrow,

Life does not mind your sting;  
Beneath your bluster and the snow  
Still throbs the pulse of Spring.

—A. G. F.

Billerica - March 7-'53.

## Jasper Pals



Photo - Canadian Nat. Revs

Every day that Railway Mail Clerk W. S. Jarvis passes through Jasper village in the heart of the celebrated Canadian Rockies vacation land, he saves choice tidbits for his four-footed friend, "Miette", who has learned not only what day Jarvis will be in town but the time the CNR Prince Rupert train is due.



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This type of real fire fighting is the most interesting part of the training offered at the school which operates directly under the Bureau of Ships at the Philadelphia Navy Yard.

In addition to the full-sized model of a ship's paint locker, the demonstration lot has realistic models of ships' boiler and engine rooms, a ladder assembly, a general compartment, and a 125' x 90' mockup of a carrier flight deck complete with a dummy plane.

Daily these models are doused with oil and gasoline and set afire. The roaring flames duplicate serious shipboard fires. Trainees watch instructors attack the blazes with the types of extinguishing equipment best suited for use on that kind of fire. Then the fires are rekindled and the students, under supervision, institute the extinguishing procedures. Last year over six hundred civilians attended

the school in addition to over 5,000 Navy men.

Presently four courses are offered. The basic course lasts five days while a streamlined two-day course covers much of the same material. A special curriculum is available for Navy flight personnel and a thirty day course trains personnel who will serve as future fire fighting instructors. A fifth course, designed to cope with the special problem of submarine fires, is now being organized.

Fire extinguishing equipment manufacturers have done much to aid the school. For example, Walter Kidde & Company Inc. of Belleville, N. J. supplies a seventeen minute sound, color training film, "Not Too Hot To Handle," which is used in all of the courses. In addition, Kidde presented the school with 100 copies of its Fire Brigade Manual which the school employs as a basic textbook.

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AT TOWN MEETING

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Elfman continued, "You can't shirk your duty, whether you like it or not, you're going to have an assessor. You might as well make up your mind, you've got to do it!" There was a little applause, and Minot Anderson offered a substitute motion, for \$4000.

A point of order was raised, that the by-laws would not allow an amendment on an amendment, and Elfman withdrew his motion, in Anderson's favor. A vote was called for, and the salary was voted at \$4000.

There was no question on the Assessor Clerk's salary of \$2500. When the salary of the Member Assessor was announced as "The Ayes Have It," there was protest from the floor. Mrs. Ruth Kitchener and others protested the vote, and a count was ordered, after which the Moderator announced that the vote, and a count was ordered, after which the Moderator announced that the vote was 146 in favor of the \$1800 salary for the member clerk, and 128 against. Fifteen minutes had been spent in the fight over Assessor's salaries.

## Lyons Pleads for Co-operation

Kenneth Lyons, chairman of the Selectmen interrupted the proceedings to ask the voters to please speak up during the discussion, if they objected to a particular salary, and not wait until the vote. He explained that these tactics delayed the meeting.

## Meeting Proceeds

The salary for the Secretary of the Town Manager was voted in, without discussion, and so was that of the Clerk of the Town Hall.

In quick order, the Town Manager Office Expenses and the Industrial Expenses were voted, as was the Town Hall Expenses of \$9000, down \$1650 from Expenses of 1952 was also quickly voted.

## Finance Committee Raised \$1

Larz Neilson moved that the expenses of the Finance Committee be increased by \$1 to \$251. He explained his reason for this increase because the Finance Committee had not co-operated with the School Building Committee, during the last year. Neilson went on to describe the three times that the town had voted a new school last year, and described the September 6th meeting, in which all the people who had participated were allowed to proceed until the time had come for the Finance Committee report, whereupon that committee had reported "No Information."

Neilson stated that it was true. No one of the Finance Committee had lifted one finger, to suggest to any of the people working on the project that a report should be made to the Finance Committee. Neilson then moved that \$1 be added to the Finance Committee expenses for telephone expenses. The remark was greeted with laughter, and there were plenty of "Ayes" and "Noes", also followed by laughter.

The Moderator declared the amendment carried.

Then, in rapid order, the following were voted: Planning Board \$200, Board of Appeals \$250, Town Counsel \$950, Elections \$700 and Registration \$1450.

## Selectmen's Expenses

The reading of the Moderator of the sum of \$2250, by the Moderator for Selectmen's Expenses was greeted with groans and whistles by the townspeople, apparently because of the fact that last years sum for this item was \$300. TM Cushing hastily took the floor, pointed out that Unclassified was down \$2000, and this represented a transfer, for for better accounting of the money. Most of this money was for such items as the Town Report, and should come under Selectmen's expenses, the TM said.

Without further ado, the town voted the money.

## Fight over Police Salaries

As had been expected, the big fight of the evening was over the always controversial item of Police Salaries and Wages. Chief of Police Lynch moved to amend the sum of \$27,330 to \$33,740. His motion was greeted with a "Whoop" by some people.

Lynch spoke about the fact that each year he had to get up for this item, and yet he received only boos from the congregation. He stated that he was working with his whole heart and soul for the Town of Wilmington, and that he was asking for consideration of the budget which he presented to the Town Manager last December. This budget was to increase the salaries of the regular seven patrolmen, as well as to provide money to employ three new officers, and \$200 for extra help, such

as for the services of a policewoman when required.

Lynch stated that the policemen did not want the six percent temporary increase but rather a straight salary. He cited the fact that the Town Manager had had an increase of \$600, to \$6600, and that this budget would give the patrolmen \$3000 a year, and the same salary to the Sergeant. He believed in having more money for the sergeant, in recognition of his rank. Lynch compared the figures of his budget with that of the Town Managers budget, to show that his budget proposal was not an increase of \$6414 but rather an increase of \$628. He spoke for 13 minutes, and was finishing his remarks as the Moderator began to wield the gavel. There was heavy applause as Lynch finished.

Cushing pointed out that the police were under Civil Service, and further that there was a difference between the wages of sergeant and patrolmen. He said that the percentage for the temporary increase in cost of living was to continue to pay town employees according to costs, for an increase or decrease, whatever the case may be.

He said that, in the interest of the town, the wages should be set by the Town Manager, and that department heads should not be able to go over his head to the town.

The cost of living was calculated on the January figure, which was 5.8% said Cushing, and as a matter of fact the figures had gone down in February. This year, however, it would be 6%, according to the January figure.

Referring to the increase in wages for himself, Cushing stated that he had not asked for it, either this year, or last year. This remark was applauded from the floor.

Following Cushing, Selectman Lyons rose to state that Cushing had never asked for an increase in wages. He stated that Cushing did not want the temporary increase in wages for himself, and that Cushing deserved the money that he was getting.

Lyons referred to the Police Department controversy as something that came up year after year, and that, "no matter what we proposed they wanted something different."

Lyons pointed out that the Charter gave the Town Manager the sole responsibility for salaries, and that the town should not go over the Town Manager's head. He stated that it was his hope to do gradually increase the salaries of all town employees, but that it couldn't be done for one department, all at one time.

Lyons then moved the previous question, which resulted in a considerable controversy, due to that fact that the people did not understand the motion clearly. They voted down the motion, and it was explained several times, by the Moderator, and finally by the Town Council.

Elfman asked the Moderator to explain that this motion was only to suppress debate, but the Moderator added that, under the rules the mover of the question now had 10 minutes. This caused a still louder "No" on the part of the townspeople.

Joseph Slater proposed that the town use the Australian ballot which proposal was voted down.

The Chair then called for a vote, on the amendment, for the figure of \$33,744. There was a loud Aye, and a loud No, and the Chair then declared itself in doubt. Currier called for a standing vote, which gave a tabulation of 158 Ayes, and 154 Nays. The Chair declared the amendment carried, which announcement was greeted with cheers.

Chief Lynch attempted to speak, but was declared out of order by the Moderator, in a very confused session. Lynch continued to speak long enough to thank the voters for their vote.

Currier then called for the Main Question, which meant still more confusion, as he explained that the town was voting now, again, for the question on \$33,744. Elfman moved that the motion as amended be put to a vote, and it was put to a vote. The Moderator declared the motion carried, and pandemonium broke out on the floor, as a number of persons tried to get the attention of the Moderator.

Selectman Lyons and several others doubted the vote, and the Moderator accordingly called for a standing vote.

The Moderator ordered that everybody in the hall must be seated. "This includes everybody in the hall," There was a moment of silence and Chief Lynch arose to further "to correct the situation."

Chief Lynch argued that the vote had been made, and that home persons who had voted had now left

the hall.

The Moderator stated that the decision of the Moderator had been questioned, and that the question before the house was whether or not the decision of the moderator was correct.

Selectman Lyons was recognized and stated that one of the townspeople had reported misconduct on the part of a police officer. His announcement was greeted with a "Yah." Someone else told the Moderator that the gentleman (Lyons) was out of order, and Lyons moved that the vote be taken by a check list.

Currier called for a voice vote on the question of a check list, and the results of the vote left the Moderator in doubt. He called for a rising vote, amidst considerable pandemonium. The vote was finally accomplished, and announced as carried, whereupon the Moderator called for a check list vote, with Yes meaning a police department appropriation of \$33,744 and a No meaning the sum named by the Town Manager.

One by one, the voters filed past the tellers, and deposited their votes in the boxes provided. There was a delay of about 45 minutes because of the voting.

## Other Business

At 10:45 p.m. the meeting was again called to order, while the other items on Protection of Person and Property were peacefully voted. Civilian Defense was explained by Barrows as being only \$500, the extras \$295 being carry-over from the previous years.

Under the Health and Sanitation, Barrows explained that the Operating Expenses were \$900, and not \$1000 as printed. In Highways, the sum of \$8000 was amended to \$8700 by Barrows, and Street Surveying was declared to be \$1000, not \$1026 as printed.

Charities and Soldiers Benefits were voted. During this voting an announcement was made of the result of the check list voting.

## Police Department Loses

The result of the balloting, as announced by the Moderator, was Yes 188, No 207, and the Moderator declared the motion lost. The salaries as proposed by the Town Manager was then voted on motion of Selectman Lawler, amidst what was a tremendous silence, compared to the earlier votes.

## Voting Continues

While the School and Library budget was being voted there was a motion from the floor that the meeting adjourn. The Moderator declared the motion out of order. A second motion was made, to adjourn to "tomorrow night." This was declared out of order, and Selectman Lyons arose, to state that it was very important that Article 7 be voted before the meeting adjourned, in order that the Town employees be paid this week. It would be necessary to vote the Article, Lyons explained, in order that the Treasurer be empowered money for the Payroll.

Stanley Webber then arose to move that the meeting consider Article 7, after which it would adjourn until tomorrow night, at 8 p.m. at the same place.

Webber's motion was carried, and the town turned to Article 7. Mrs. Wavie Drew (the new Selectman, made the motion, which was hastily voted, as some of the voters were already leaving the hall. The meeting then adjourned.

## Tuesday Night Meeting

The Town met for its adjourned session in Greer's on Tuesday night, with about 300 members present. The meeting was called to order at 8:03 p.m., and resumed deliberations on schools and libraries, which called for no comment. The first controversy came when Minot Anderson moved to amend the motion for water expenses, by setting aside \$4000 for purchase of water meters. Harold Melzar, of the Water Board explained that the budget had been carefully made up, and could not have such an item, whereupon Anderson stated that the had been told that the TM had provisions in the budget for the purchase of 200 meters, which would cost \$40 each, or \$4000. The amendment was voted down, and the original item was voted.

## Burns Honored

A recess was declared, when the budget was finally voted, at 8:20 p.m. George Spanos, the unofficial Mayor of Wilmington took the floor to present a plaque to Erlemerst Burns, in the name of the Town. Spanos described Burns' deed, in saving, heroically, the life of Sandra Dupras, and the whole town applauded vigorously. Eddie Forrest, and Joseph F. McManus were also thanked for their part.

Burns spoke briefly and thanked the town "from the bottom of my

heart."

## Cost of Living Funds Voted

On motion of Selectman Lawler, after the meeting had reconvened, the sum of \$9600 was voted for Cost of Living Bonus to town employees.

## Unpaid Bills

Selectman Woods moved that \$683.66 be appropriated to pay unpaid bills of past years. Chairman of the Finance Committee Barrows, reported that the Committee had no information—the committee had never been told what the figure was. Minot Anderson wanted to know if a list of the bills was available, and Woods read off the figures, which included an item of \$293 from the Church Street Hardware.

Someone asked from the floor what the Church Street Hardware item was all about, and Anderson observed that the total of the figures read by Woods totaled about \$800.

Harold McKelvey moved that the matter be laid on the table, for another town meeting, but this motion was voted down.

TM Cushing took the floor, and explained that the Church Street Hardware bill was for \$2.93, a case of misplaced decimal points. The voters laughed, and McKelvey withdrew his motion.

The money was then voted.

## Sale of Real Estate

Selectman Charles Black moved for authorization for the Selectmen to sell, at Public Auction, in the evening, properties taken by the Town under Tax Title foreclosure, to the highest bidder, with the provision that the former could redeem his title, up to the time of sale, by paying all bills. The auction was to be advertised 14 days ahead of time, and the sale to be recorded within 20 days after purchase. The town voted the article.

## Representative Government

## Voted Down

Herbert Barrows moved Article 9, for a study of Representative

Town Government, with the Selectmen to report at a subsequent Town Meeting.

David Elfman spoke for the article. He described the troubles of the Selectmen, in getting a quorum, for special town meetings, and chided the citizens for their lack of interest. He said that this type of apathy was no more or less than an invitation for Joseph Stalin to move in. Representatives, with civic pride, would at least attend Town Meetings, said Elfman. "This, so far, you people have failed to do!"

McKelvey spoke, saying that he could never have been considered as a communist. He declared that he had been elected a Representative, in the Town of Watertown, by the largest vote for any office there and that he knew what he was talking about.

The interest of the town are growing, said McKelvey, and yet the town cannot afford a mammoth town hall in which to heat vacant chairs. McKelvey urged strongly that the town adopt this form of government.

Bernard McMahon spoke, saying that there was never a question of quorum at an annual town meeting. "We have today, the privilege of expressing our views," Andover, a larger town, still has an open meeting. McMahon stated, and Reading, which has the Representative form, has a lot of dissatisfied voters. The people there wanted an article to do away with representative government, which the representatives promptly killed.

"Don't think that the sacrifices would be worth the advantages of Representative Government," McMahon declared.

Another speaker said, "Instead of blaming the people, why cannot the Selectmen send postcards to the voters, telling them of Town Meetings. He described a visit to the Town Hall, that he had made some

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**ARTHUR LYNCH CHAIRMAN  
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Arthur Lynch, of Cottage Avenue, was unanimously elected Chairman of the School Committee, in a meeting held in the Roman House, last Thursday evening. The meeting, which was short, also saw War-

ren Willis elected Vice Chairman, and the former Chairman, Miss Eleanor Grimes elected Secretary.

Clifford Good, Superintendent of Schools reported that three of the new teachers, signed for the next school year, had failed to return their contracts, and that new teach-

ers would have to be had in their place. It was a story, said Good, of other school departments offering more money. One of the teachers had an offer of \$400 more than Wilmington was able to pay.

Good also reported that the School Building Committee had decided not to have acoustical blocks in the ceilings of the Wildwood School because of the experience in some buildings of having the blocks get loose, after a few years. The ceilings will be plastered, instead, and acoustical blocks will be placed on the tops of the sidewalls, in order to better control the acoustics of the various rooms.

**Music Day on the Common**

Plans are underway for the observance of Music Day, on Wilmington Common, in early May. Rhythm bands from all the grade schools and instrumental music from the higher schools will be heard.

The 73-piece band of the Junior High School is preparing a nice program for the event.

**Questions About Music Lessons**

There has been some questions about the cost of music lessons in the Junior High School Band, Good reported. It would seem that some pupils have had money for lessons, and have not reported. The cost of each lesson, Good said, is 30 cents (weekly). The lesson book for beginners cost 85 cents. Advanced les-

son books are \$1.25. There is a \$4.00 per month rental charge, for instruments. This charge is made by the company providing the instruments, and there is no connection with the school, other than being supervised. At the present time there is only one rental, all other students have purchased their instruments.

Miss Alive Plevock, Music Supervisor will, in the near future send notices to parents when charges have not been paid, or when children are absent from their music lessons.

**Drum Majorettes**

A class for Drum Majorettes has been started by Miss Plevock, assisted by Mr. De Grazier. There are now 20 pupils. The cost is 30 cents a lesson. Each student will buy her own baton, at \$3.00 each.

**GIRL SCOUTS  
PLAN DAY CAMP**

The Wilmington Girl Scout organization is planning a day camp for a two week period this summer, June 22nd thru July 3rd.

Scout leaders have long realized the value of outdoor activities in the general development of girls, individual outdoor troop activities being limited due to lack of time and facilities. The Camp objectives are to stimulate real enjoyment and appreciation of the out-of-doors through progressively adventurous experiences, to provide training in citizenship through the give and take of community living. Each girl will have a part in planning and carrying out the camping program with the guidance of adult leaders who will contribute to the physical and mental well being of each girl.

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At present the Fourth District Court of Eastern Massachusetts in Woburn, has three part time judges, Judge William H. Henchey, the presiding judge, and Judge Curtis W. Nash, and Alfred W. Sartorelli, associate justices. Other special judges are sometimes called to Woburn, when the associates are not available, and the docket is filled.

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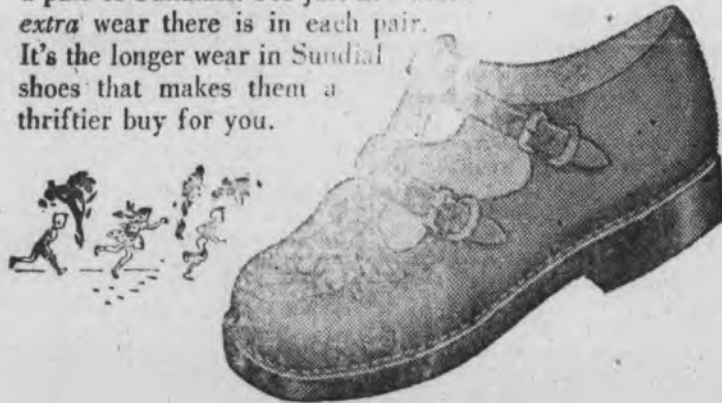
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The speaker of the evening will be Rev. John Nicol Mark of Arlington, Humorist and Philosopher. His subject will be "What's Right With the World."

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## FINED FOR SPEEDING

Lars Christiansen of 33 Veranda Street, was fined \$5.00 for operating at excessive speed, by Judge Henchey, of Woburn Court, on March 8th. Christiansen was arrested last Wednesday, by Officer Shepard of the Wilmington Police Force.

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Bill White of 58 Middlesex Avenue, enlisted in the United States Marine Corps, last week. He left Monday, for training at Parris Island, South Carolina.

**LOCAL FARMERS**  
TAKE AWARDS

Sixty-five farmers received special awards at the 1953 Middlesex Flock Health Conference, held at the Waltham Field Station of the University of Massachusetts, Wednesday, February 25. Receiving certificates of merit for their work as members of the 1952 Middlesex Flock Health Program were: Baxter, Oliver, Natick; Charles Borelli, Framingham; George Browning, Lincoln; Willis Bursley, Chelmsford; C. S. Burton, Billerica; G. S. Cavallo, Andover; Joseph Cennerazzo, Woburn; Chestnut Hill Farm, Chestnut Hill; William P. Clark, Acton; Prisco, Coviello, Billerica; Albion, Daigle, Dracut; Howard Dickerman, Billerica; Albert Donovan, Framingham; Milton Duclos, Maynard; Walter A. Fone, Methuen; Howard S. Foster, Woburn; Sidney J. Furze, No. Reading; Raymond Gerard, Framingham; Gilbert Griggs, Billerica; Frank Hanford, Concord; Arthur W. Howard, Chelmsford; Ralph L. Howe, Concord; James M. Kadra, Ashland; Eric V. Larson, Reading; Walter F. Lewis, Chelmsford; Lincoln Knoll Farm, Burlington; Rudolph Maga, Lynnfield Center; Raymond Magliozzi, No. Reading; Anthony Marmiani, Wilmington; Meadow Acres Poultry Farm, Lowell; John Merten, Billerica; Charles H. Miller, Boxboro; John Parkinson, Chelmsford; Lloyd Robbins, North Reading; Ernest Salemi, Tewksbury; 1790 Rarm, Inc., Hudson; Fred Shaw, Framingham; Stephen Smith, Tewksbury; Lawrence Sorli, Carlisle; Theodore Thomas, Wilmington; Everett Turcotte, Westboro; Fred Turilli, No. Reading; John W. Williamson, Townsend; Ira L. Vinal, Dracut and Peter Yankowsky, Billerica.

Special gold seals awarded to 20 growers whose scores in the program totalled 97 per cent or better. The awards were presented to Arthur E. Wardwell of North Reading, Chairman of the Middlesex Flock Health Council, who commented on the high level of achievement observed among the members of the 1952 program.

Over 200 poultrymen, turkey growers, and allied industry representatives from Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Maine were present at the meeting to hear the latest in the field of poultry and turkey health of authorities from Massachusetts, Connecticut and Michigan. Alfred W. Carlson, Associate County Agricultural Agent with the Middlesex County Extension Service announced at the meeting that enrollments were open for the 1953 Middlesex Flock Health Program, which is sponsored by the Extension Service and poultry and turkey growers' associations in the County through the Middlesex Turkey and Poultry Directors' Association.

**GENERAL ELECTRIC**  
VACATION SCHEDULE

The 1953 vacation schedule for the Lynn plants of the General Electric Company, which was just completed, calls for a general shut-down in mid-July with the Aircraft Gas Turbine Division operating on a staggered basis so that production can be maintained to meet defense orders.

The West Lynn Works and five operations at the River Works have set their vacations for the week ending July 19 and 26. They are Medium Steam Turbine, Generator, and Gear Department, Lighting and Rectifier Department, Works Service, Department, Synchronous and Specialty Motor and Generator Department, and Lynn Foundry and Pattern Shop. In these departments employees leave the Works on Friday night, July 10, and do not report for work until Monday morning July 27.

Employees at the Everett Foundry, for the most part, will take their vacations during the weeks ending August 9 and 16. Employees will start vacations after work on Friday, July 31, and report back to work on Monday, August 17. Everett employees whose schedule differs from that listed above will be notified in advance by their supervisor.

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**ANDERSON RESIGNS FROM**  
**FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Minot Anderson, Lowell Street, a member of the Wilmington Finance Committee has tendered his resignation, as of March 6th. Mr. Anderson, in his resignation, stated that he wished to engage in other activities for the town.

**CARD OF THANKS**

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Rice of Linda Road wish to acknowledge, with grateful thanks, the aid rendered to their child, Holly Marie Rice, by the Wilmington Police and Fire Departments, on March 1st. Holly is in good health now, thanks to the men of these departments.

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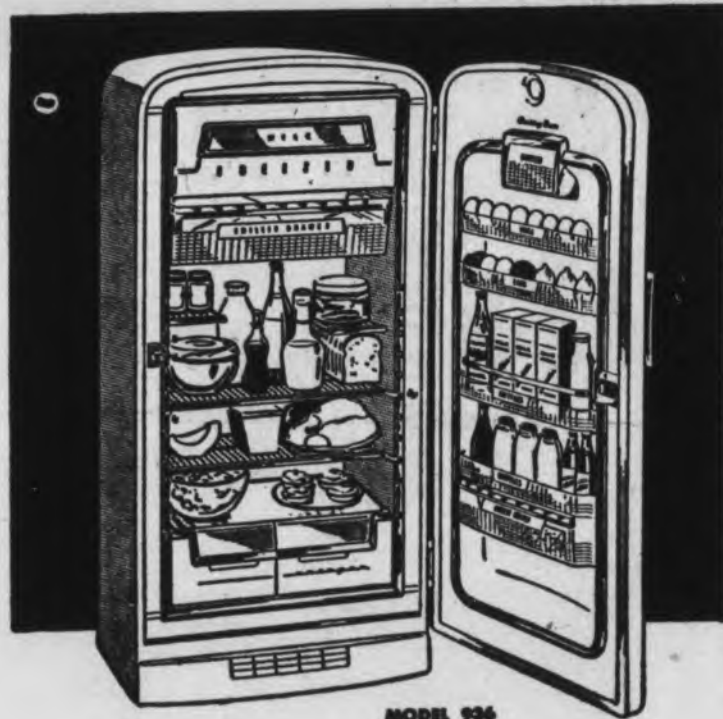
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Thursday, March 12th, and Friday, March 13th, the Wilmington Council of Churches will sponsor a Visitation Program to be conducted by laymen of the respective churches each evening. Supper will be held each night at the Wilmington Methodist Church beginning at 6:30 p.m., after which there will be a period of instruction and then the visitors will go to call on all new prospects in the community.

Thursday, March 12th, the Men's Club will meet in the King Arthur Room at eight o'clock. Mr. Max Ploughman, British Consulate in Boston will be the guest speaker. Refreshments will follow.

Circle 3 will meet March 12th at 1:30 p.m., at Mrs. Harold Simes, Lake Street.

Sunday - March 15th: Church School classes will be held at 9:15 a.m.

Morning Worship at 9:15 and 11 a.m. The Reverend Mr. Julian Rae, Supt. of Missionary work for the Methodist Church in the Belgian Congo who has just returned from Africa will be present to speak at both services. His subject will be "Our Faith in Missions."

The Junior MYF will meet at 5 p.m. at the Church.

At 7 p.m. the Senior MYF will sponsor a Sub-District Rally to be attended by approximately 100 youth from the surrounding communities. Following a buffet supper and recreation program, the Reverend Mr. Rae will be the speaker at the evening service which will begin at 7:30 p.m. All members of the community are invited to attend this service which will be held in the Sanctuary.

Monday night at eight o'clock the Official Board meets at the church.

Wednesday, the 18th, at 10 a.m.

the Women's Study Group for members of the W.S.C.S. will be held in the King Arthur Room. Coffee Hour served by Circle 4.

Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock the Pilot Group will meet at the home of Mr. Dudley Buck.

Wednesday Circle 5 will hold a Circle supper at the home of Mrs. Manuel. Mrs. Fuller and Mrs. Branscombe, co-hostess.

Thursday at 7 the Hobby Club will meet.

Thursday at 8 the Choir will rehearse.

Writers generally describe a fireplace as cheerful; and so most of us find it. But it isn't cheerful if a spark lands on an expensive rug or sets the wood basked afire. A properly fitted metal spark screen in front of the fireplace will keep things safe. Such a screen is especially needed when the family goes to bed and leaves the fire to itself.

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The engagement has been announced of Dorothy Murray, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Murrank, Parker Street, to David Bragdon, son of Donald Bragdon

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Miss Murray is a graduate of Wilmington High School, class of 1953. Mr. Bragdon is serving in the Navy aboard the USS Leyte. No date has been set for the wedding.

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Alice E. Stine to Ernest E. King and wife, North Street.

**RICHARD E. STORMS**

ST. THOMAS, V. I. (FHTNC)—The historic Government House was the scene of a reception and dance held recently in honor of the enlisted Navymen here for Operation Springboard.

Among the 61 white-clad sailors attending the dance given by Gov. and Mrs. Morris F. de Castro of the Virgin Islands was Richard E. Storms, seaman, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. I. H. Storms of 32 Hobson Avenue, Wilmington.

He is a crew member of the submarine USS Piper.

Storms, who entered the Navy 18 months ago, was stationed at the Submarine Base, New London, Conn., before reporting for duty

aboard the Piper last February.

The dance was held on the second floor in the reception hall used for special state functions as well as for the governor's cabinet and staff conferences. Refreshments were served in the North Room and outside on the terrace.

Featured throughout the evening was a band whose talented players showed an amazing ability to produce music from cut-down oil drums. They entertained between numbers played by the local high school's calypso band. Miss Alice Hill, vocalist and school teacher, billed in the tropical playground as the "singing school teacher," sang several calypso tunes.

All of the Navy men, who attended the social affair, are crew members of ships operating with Norfolk-based Submarine Squadron Six here.

**WILMINGTON 60  
ST. PATRICK'S 58  
LYNN VOCATIONAL 73  
WILMINGTON 35**

The post season tournament, for basketball teams is over, as far as Wilmington High School is concerned. The Wilmington hoopsters ran better than true to form in the two games in which they played. It has been observed that Wilmington's boys play better on a smaller court, which probably can be explained because they have no court of their own, on which to practice.

In a game in Chelmsford, February 23th, Wilmington upset the classy St. Patrick's team from Watertown, with a score of 60 to 58. Chelmsford's gym rates as small.

The next night, in the large gym at Framingham, the Wilmington boys bowed in defeat to a far superior team, from Lynn Vocational and thus bowed themselves out of the running.

The game against St. Patrick's was one of the most spectacular played by the Wilmington boys this year. The game started with the classy Watertown boys putting on a very fast pace, and Wilmington sort of loping along. At the end of the quarter, the score was St. Pat's 20—Wilmington 8.

When the second quarter rolled around Bob Girolamo sparked the team to a change of pace, and with Dave Newhouse and Buzzy Busineau in there pitching the ball through the basket the score, by the time the half rolled around was 23 to 23.

The third quarter opened very tensely. Newhouse cornered the ball for Wilmington, and, along with Busineau scored off a number of baskets. As the game went into the last quarter, the score was frequently tied, and both teams had their roosters shouting themselves hoarse. Newhouse, Crehan and Chinn scored, Al MacMullen tied the game, at 52 to 52. Busineau made it 54 St. Pat's came back and made it 56, even then Dave Chinn scored another after which Newhouse got the ball, passed it to Busineau who made the last two points, just before the game ended.

Busineau 24 points, Newhouse 15, Chinn 6, DiGiralamo 6, Di Piano 1, MacMullen 8 and Crehan 2, for Wilmington.

Ambrose 11, Campbell 6, Cotton 4, Coty 11, Sheehan 3, Duffy 11, and Walsh 12 for St. Patrick's.

The game with Lynn Vocational, next night, in Framingham was an entirely different matter. Lynn took the ball and kept it. That, in brief is the story. Our boys were lost in the big gymnasium.

For Wilmington Chinn scored 2, DiPiano 3, Busineau 17, DiGiralamo 2, Gillis 1 and Newhouse 10.

For Lynn Vocational Jordan had scored 11, Rebidue 13, Parker 25, Elliot 15, Doucette 1 and Marion 8.

**EXPLORER NEWS**

The second meeting of the Explorer Scouts was held March 4 in the gym of the Junior High School. The meeting was called to order by Explorer Advisor Robert McCabe, of Woburn Street. The swimming meet held on February 23rd, at the Lowell YMCA was a success.

There will be a dance at the Jr. High School on March 21, 7:30 p.m. This dance is only for the



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Explorer's who will in turn ask a girl. March 12 there will be a meeting at the Jr. High School to start plans for the "Council Circus," on April 18.

The meeting was at 9:30 p.m. The next meeting will be held on March 18th.

**FRANCIS FENTROSS  
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Francis Fentross, of Silver Lake, took his place in the front lines, in Korea, on February 27th. His address is PFC F. J. Fentross, US 51154132, Co. I, 7th Inf. Regt. APO 468, San Francisco, California.

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**PROBATE COURT.**

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If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Cambridge within twenty-one days from the twentieth day of July 1953, the return day of this citation.

Witness, John C. Leggat, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-fourth day of February in the year one thousand nine hundred and fifty-three.

John J. Butler, Register.

M-4-11-18

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,  
Middlesex, ss.

**PROBATE COURT.**

To all persons interested in the estate of James D. MacCartney late of Wilmington in said County, deceased.

The administratrix of said estate has presented to said Court for allowance her first account.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Cambridge before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the nineteenth day of March 1953, the return day of this citation.

Witness, John C. Leggat, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twentieth day of February in the year one thousand nine hundred and fifty-three.

John J. Butler, Register.

M-4-11-18

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,  
Middlesex, ss.

**PROBATE COURT**

To Alice M. Nichols of Wilmington in said County, and to her husband, heirs apparent or presumptive and to the Massachusetts Department of Mental Health.

A petition has been presented to said Court alleging that said Alice M. Nichols is an insane person and praying that Esther H. Nichols of Wilmington in said County, or some other suitable person, be appointed her guardian.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Cambridge before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the seventeenth day of March 1953, the return day of this citation.

Witness, John C. Leggat, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this nineteenth day of February in the year one thousand nine hundred and fifty-three.

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Acting in the role of official host for the group, Sidney W. Grossman, company president, greeted representatives from all of Grossman's 18 New England branches at the firm's main offices in Quincy. The forenoon session was devoted to panel discussions on products information, merchandising and public relations—as well as intensive review and preview of new merchandise in the building materials industry.

Upon termination of the morning session, the entire group gathered for dinner at the Rotary Hall in Quincy. Re-assembling for an afternoon session, the meeting was highlighted by an interesting sound film on the Grossman low-cost homes and summer camp program. Another interesting phase of the meeting was an advance showing of the new Grossman catalogue, which

is to be distributed early in the spring.

The session was concluded with a brief talk by board chairman, Reuben A. Grossman who humorously presented a box of candy to each of the men—"consolation prizes" for the wives who were omitted from the conclave.

Representatives attending from Grossman's Billerica branch included: Julius Kupsov, Allen Kupsov, Ralph Bellegarde, Bill Walsh, Joe Bellegarde, Jim Griffin, Ed Lynch, and John O'Hare.

Research has not yet uncovered the cause of high blood pressure, which may lead to heart disease. The heart Fund aids research in this vital field.

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### CONGREGATIONAL

The North Branch will meet at the home of Mrs. John Witham, 29 High Street, on Thursday at 1 p.m.

The 14th annual Lenten Institute of Christian Education of the Mass. Council of Churches will be held Saturday from 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Boston University School of Theology. This Institute, with its theme "The Bible the Word of Life," has been planned to heighten enthusiasm for the Bible, to demonstrate that it is the Book of today, and to help teachers and leaders become more effective in the use of it. To this end the committee is bringing to this Institute great scholars like Dr. Luther A. Weigle and Prof. Cadbury, who have worked in the production of the Revised Standard Version, and ministers, writers and professors who have been for many years outstanding students of the Bible. For further information, contact Nancy Noble, chairman of the Religious Education Committee. It is hoped that teachers and leaders from this church will be able to attend the meeting.

On account of Mrs. Parks' weekly lecture, the Center Branch will hold its next meeting on Friday, March 20th., and it will be a luncheon

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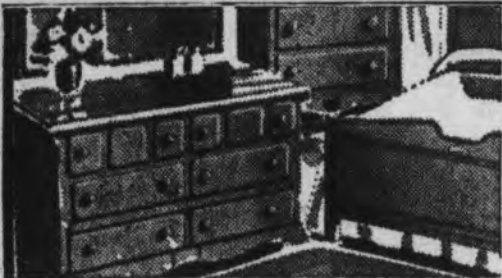
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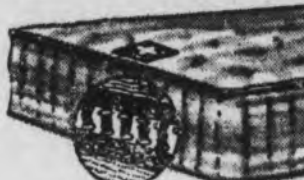
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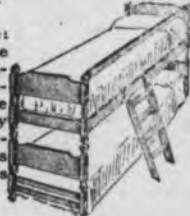
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## HEALTH FOR ALL

## Sinus Trouble

Don't blow your nose so hard, junior," mother calls to son, "you may get sinus trouble."

Mother is perfectly right. Blowing your nose violently is one way of forcing infectious germs into the sinuses, the air spaces in the bones of the head. Sinusitis, as the disease is called, is an infection of the lining of these air spaces, all of which are connected with the nose by small openings. Their lining, or mucous membrane, is continuous with the lining of the nose. For that reason, infections of the nose, throat, and chest can travel to the sinuses, with unpleasant results.

Sinusitis is frequently painful. Inflammation of the nose or of the lining of the sinus may close the air space and block drainage. If the sinus is closed for any length of time, the air inside is used up and a vacuum forms which causes pain. Pus or other secretions may form and press on the sinus wall, also causing pain, often severe.

Sinus trouble can be caused in many ways, other than blowing your nose too hard. In addition to respiratory infections like colds, influenza, whooping cough, or diphtheria, causes may be one or more of the following: sudden chilling, poor diet, fatigue, allergies, infected teeth or tonsils, enlarged adenoids, or other nasal obstructions.

Frequent use of sprays and anti-

septics in the nose may injure the mucous membrane and bring on sinusitis. For this reason alone, it is wise not to use nose drops or inhalants unless the doctor prescribes them. Sinusitis is too serious to try to treat yourself. Uncured, it may lead to more serious diseases like bronchitis, mastoid infection, and arthritis.

Symptoms vary from person to person, but the most common are headaches, or pain over the infected sinus, dry and clogged nasal passages, or post-nasal drip. Other symptoms may include fever, cough, swelling of cheeks, eyelids, or forehead, and general fatigue.

If you suspect you have sinus trouble, see your doctor. There are a number of valuable drugs for the

treatment of sinus infection. In severe cases an operation may be necessary to open the sinus and allow it to drain.

Some towns still allow wood shingle roofs. The result is that from time to time, sparks from a chimney set such roofs afire. The only safe thing from a fire protection standpoint is a non-combustible roof.

A time-delay fuse of the ampere rating specified on the name plate on your motors reduces the danger of burning out these expensive machines. Time-lag fuses are not expensive. They should be standard equipment on every farm.

Engineering alloy steels containing nickel are widely used both for military equipment and for numerous applications in the civilian economy. These steels for military purposes in 1952 in general required more nickel per ton than was used for civilian applications. In both fields, however, nickel has been conserved for the more critical uses. Conservation has been achieved by substitutions of steels lower in nickel, or by steels containing no nickel, depending upon the application and the conditions under which the steels are employed. In cases where such conservation procedures did not provide satisfactory alloy steel performance, governments continued to allow the use of nickel alloy steels for defense purposes.

What's "in the works" at G.E.

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These "extras" cover life insurance, sickness and accident insurance, suggestion awards and paid vacations. Examples of such benefits include the following cases:

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Lynn. She was paid \$900.00 for hospital expense including surgery. In addition to this she received \$865.89 in weekly sickness benefits until she returned to work.

What's more, health benefits are only the beginning! Other benefits include an excellent Pension Plan under which 187 local folks retired last year.

In addition, G. E. has an outstanding Savings and Stock Bonus Plan. More than 11,100 local G-E employees have already signed up for this share-owning plan. Under it they buy U. S. Savings Bonds. After a holding period of five years they will collect a bonus of G-E stock equal in value to 15% of what they've invested in U. S. Savings Bonds. In this way G-E employees are saving for a rainy day and become share owners in the company for which they work — one more way that G. E. provides Good Employment.

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## TOWN NOTES

## WEATHER

March is a Lion. At least this March is. Nights have been cold and windy, with the temperature hovering around 10 degrees. Days have been warmer, but just as windy. We had .78 inches of snow and rain, on March 3rd., and a trace on the 4th.

## SPRING TIME

Town Meeting, of course, is always a very reliable sign of spring, as any reader of the Old Farmer's Almanac will tell you. We have had a few other signs, during the last week.

In the first place, all the ice is gone from Silver Lake, and from other ponds as well, although it has formed again in some places.

Esther Nichols, the School Nurse, heard Spring Peepers, last Wednesday, down at the bridge, on Wildwood Street.

Buck Brothers put on their seed racks, on Thursday.

On Friday, Mrs. Bertha Smith of Salem Street had a couple of old

Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Middlesex, ss.

## PROBATE COURT.

To all persons interested in the estate of Katherine Margey of Wilmington in said County, under conservatorship.

The conservator of the property of said Katherine Margey has presented to said Court for allowance her account.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Cambridge before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the thirtieth day of March 1953, the return day of this citation.

Witness, John C. Leggat, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this third day of March in the year one thousand nine hundred and fifty-three.

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## MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Zygmunt A. Dec and Gladys G. Dec sometimes known as Gladys Dec, husband and wife, both of Wilmington, Middlesex County, Massachusetts to Sarah Mogul, dated September 7, 1950 and recorded with Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds, Book 1150, Page 517, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at public auction on the mortgaged premises, being the premises hereinafter described on Tuesday, April 7, 1953, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, all and singular the premises conveyed by said mortgage deed, namely: "The land in said Wilmington, in that part thereof called North Wilmington, with the buildings thereon, bounded and described as follows: Southerly by Salem Street, one hundred thirty-four and 62/100 (134.62) feet; Westerly by a Right of Way as shown on plan hereinafter mentioned, eighty-two and 50/100 (82.50) feet; Northerly by land of John Dec, as shown on said plan, one hundred thirty-five and 35/100 (135.35) feet; Easterly by land of John Dec, as shown on said plan, eighty-two and 50/100 (82.50) feet. Containing 11,068 square feet of land according to said plan. Said land is shown on a plan made by A. N. Eames, Surveyor, dated July 26, 1947 and recorded with Middlesex North District Deeds, Plan Book 75 Plan 2B. With the right to use, for the usual purposes of ingress and egress said Right of Way. Subject to a taking by the County Commissioners duly recorded with Middlesex North District Deeds, Book 752, Page 451. Subject to a first mortgage held by the Medford Co-operative Bank in the original amount of \$5500.00." Said premises will be sold subject to the above mortgage and any and all unpaid taxes and assessments, if any there be. Five Hundred (\$500) Dollars will be required to be paid in cash by the purchaser at the time and place of sale, the balance within ten (10) days thereafter. Other terms to be announced at the sale.

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JOSEPH E. LEVINE, Attorney  
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friends drop in, with announced plans for staying for the summer. A pair of black ducks have raised a brood near her home, for some years past, and they are now preparing to set up housekeeping again.

Saturday, everybody was bound for the town dump, with the winter's accumulation of rubbish.

What better signs could a person want?

## "R" IS FOR READY

Your columnist, who happens to have a commission in the United States Naval Reserve, has received orders to be ready to report for active duty, on 24-hours notice. We understand that other Naval Reserve Officers have received similar orders.

## BURNSEY

## THE RANGE OIL RIDER

Erlemerst Burns has now made his second appearance on television, as a result of his daring rescue of Sandra Dupras, and we suspect that he will be becoming quite blasé about it all, before long.

A lady in Alabama wrote to a TV show known as "Wheel of Fortune," to say that she thought that Burns should be rewarded for his deed. She was only one of many who had done this, but, apparently she wrote the best letter, for which she was rewarded.

Burnsey and Mrs. Burns, together with Sandra Dupras and her mother left Boston at 1 p.m. last Thursday, and arrived in New York

at 5 p.m. Mrs. Burns was not a guest of the TV show, and had to pay her own way, but the Wheel of Fortune provided for Mrs. Dupras, as well as Sandra and Burns. They were put up at the Henry Hudson Hotel, by Ted Russell, of the Wheel of Fortune, and went over to the studio for a rehearsal that same evening, from 8 to 11 p.m.

Next morning they again went to the studio, for rehearsals between 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. The show started at 10, and was over at 10:45 a.m.

The Wheel of Fortune is a TV show in which a person who has been rescued is allowed to win prizes for the rescuer, after the audience has been told the facts about the rescue.

Burns and Sandra appeared before the cameras at 10:37 a.m., and spent 7 minutes being televised. They presented a nice appearance. Sandra described the rescue with a bit more aplomb than in the previous appearance, after which she spun the Wheel of Fortune, which is very similar to the Wheels of Chance at a County carnival.

Sandra's number was \$700, plus a ringing of the Jackpot bell, which gave her a chance at an extra prize of \$1100, if she answered both questions which were to be asked on the \$700 question. She would win \$700 anyway, if she answered one of the two questions.

The first question was "What was the name of the ship in which Henry Hudson sailed, when he discovered

the Hudson River?" Sandra answered correctly, "The Half-Moon" and thereby assured Burnsey of \$700.

The second question was quite involved, and could be done only by a person who had spent plenty of time at the movies. It involved the "feud" between Bob Hope and Bing Crosby, and the answer was Bob Hope, which Sandra did not guess, thereby failing to win the Jackpot.

The prize of \$700 was in merchandise. Burns received a Living Room Set, an Electric Drier, an Encyclopedia "Book of Knowledge," a set of table Silver, a Mohawk Rug, and a Gun Type Oil Burner. Burnsey says that he is going to burn Lyon's Oil with the Oil Burner.

They came home Friday night, on the Merchant's Express.

## HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS SAW SHOW

MacLellan's Rural Appliance Center supplied a television set to the Wilmington High School, so that student's could see Burnsey and Sandra, on the Wheel of Fortune Show. It was set up in the Library, and those students who had a study period at the time were allowed to see the show.

## PAUL MacMULLIN

Jim Britt, of the Yankee Network took time last week to compliment Paul MacMullin of Forest Road, on his wonderful work for the Jimmy

Fund. Paul, who is a High School student, has spark-plugged the Jimmy Fund in Wilmington for several years, together with a few of his young friends. Paul is the youngest "Jimmy Fund" chairman in New England, and has consistently raised a very creditable sum in Wilmington, every year.

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## TOWN SUSTAINS TM AT TOWN MEETING

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time ago, about a pinball machine, and he had found two or three men talking in one corner, and another two or three talking in another corner. It took him six months, he declared, to get a decision on his pin-ball machine. We have few enough privileges, he stated, and a certain clique is trying to run the town government!"

Joseph Slater commended McMahon for his speech. He urged that the people support McMahon and to voice their opinion. "When the time comes that there is no place to meet will be soon enough to consider a representative form of government."

The town then voted against the article.

## High School Committee Voted

On motion of Clifford Good, Superintendent of Schools, \$939.50 was transferred from available funds for a committee to investigate the building of an addition to the New High School. Good cited figures to show that by 1955 the town would have at least 460 pupils in the High School, with room for an absolute maximum of 475. He said that he could see no relief, and that for six years the town had been growing rapidly.

The town voted the money.

## Zoning By-Laws Argued

Selectman Lyons moved Article 11, for an amendment to the Zoning By-Laws, in the land between West Street and Woburn Street. Elmer Waller of the Planning Board read their report, which approved of the change, and TM Cushing explained just what was proposed. 58 or 60 acres in this area are now owned by General Foods, and some is owned by Hupper, Cushing stated. He mentioned a New York man who would like to locate in this site, three years from now.

Arthur Harper spoke on combining articles 11 to 15 for action at the same time. Cushing said that the Board of Selectmen had agreed to withdraw articles 13 thru 16, and Harper sat down.

Paul Metcalf spoke against the article. "Perhaps some of you do not realize what can happen! Once a thing gets through Town Meeting there is very little fight left. We had a fish packing plant here once, which was very hard to get rid off! What will we get in this land? If we accept this article, perhaps only 10 persons will show up at the Board of Appeals hearing. I urge you—pass it over, and take it up at the proper time! If it is proper, the town will vote for it!"

Bob Moran spoke eloquently for the article. He cited having to wait six months for action by the Attorney General, in previous changes. Several times, in referring to the Finance Committee, Moran called it the Finance Company, to the amusement of the voters.

In Somerville, said Moran, there are 15 companies planning to move out, one of them worth \$10,000,000. We are going to need money for the new high school. They (industries) produce what you people in your homes cannot produce, and they can't produce it if they have to wait 8 or 10 months for the Attorney General. I hope you will adopt this article, and the next one!

The Wilmington Selectmen and Town Manager will pay attention to your protests! We are 30 years behind the times—I hope you approve—Thank you!

McKelvey spoke in favor of the article. He stated that he lived in an industrial zone, and was glad of it. "I am for business, and I am for cutting down the tax rate. You cannot cut the tax rate by love and kisses. If we wait we may find that Mary Jones has bought a \$200 shack in this land. If you want better homes, don't hold back progress!"

Mrs. Ruth Kitchener said that she agreed partly with the last speaker. She hoped that the town wouldn't have industries everywhere, but have proper industrial zones. She cited the West part of town, where she lived, as proper for housing, high and dry. Keep up the residential zones, she urged, and protect your investment!

Mrs. Wavie Drew, Selectman, spoke for the article. She said she lived on West Street, in the neighborhood of the proposed change, and none of her neighbors were there to vote against it.

The Moderator called for a vote, announcing that a two thirds vote was necessary to adopt the article. The vote was 174 Yes, and 11 No.

## Article 12

As the Moderator read Article 12, McKelvey moved for consideration of articles 17 to 21 inclusive. Mc-

Kelvey pleaded for the Veterans who had come to vote this article, and had to go home. The town voted against the motion.

Selectman Lawler then moved article 12. Waller, of the Planning Board approved. Metcalf arose. "I am going to keep on trying, maybe I can convince someone! The argument is that someone might want to build, but no one names the company—I say wait—my word is wait—Thank you!"

Edward Curtis arose to say that he thought there should be a committee to make adequate plans for industrial development, and he made a motion to amend Article 12 to that effect. Harold Melzar objected, on point of order, that the amendment went beyond the scope of the article and the Moderator sustained Melzar.

Selectman Lyons pointed out that such a board did exist, it was voted by the town 4 years ago, the Planning Board. He went on to say that the thought was to keep all the industrial zone together, and explained that the following articles were to be passed, by which he meant that no motion would be made for their adoption by the town.

It is not easy to wait, said Lyons. Greer and Raffi and Swanson waited. If we had had land ready we might have got Sylvania, but they couldn't wait. The Zoning By-Laws protect the citizens against gasses and other nuisances. We of the Board of Selectmen are here to protect your interests, and we do this without pay. We pay taxes too—we feel that we should keep industry here (applause).

Tom Lafionatis thought that the underlying fear of some people was that we should get the old-fashioned wooden three story factory, painted red. Today's factories are streamlined affairs of brick and glass, said Lafionatis. They are better than many homes.

The vote was called for. There were 148 in favor and 8 against.

## Article 13, 14, 15 and 16 Passed

On motion of Selectman Lyons, Articles 13 through 16 were considered at one time, and passed (tabled) by the meeting.

## 4-H Funds

On motion of John (Bob) Evans, \$100 was appropriated for 4-H Funds

## Legion Hall

On motion of Arthur Harper, \$750 was appropriated for rental of the American Legion Hall.

## VFW Hall

On motion of Tom Lafionatis, \$750 was voted for rental of the VFW Hall.

## DAV Hall

On motion of James Kelly, \$750 was voted for rental of the DAV Hall.

## Elfman Takes Chair

Moderator Currier asked David Elfman to take the chair, before Article 22 was considered, because Currier stated, he might want to speak on articles 22 and 23.

## Veterans' Housing Voted Down

Gardner Ritchie moved that the town authorize the Wilmington Housing Authority have power to ask for not more than 20 single units, for Veterans Housing. Currier explained some of the points. He stated that only \$350 had been received by the town, and not \$500, as expected, for "shelter rent" in lieu of taxes, and confessed himself somewhat disappointed.

\$150,000,000 has been set aside by the state, said Currier. So far none of this money has been used for Veteran's housing and the final authority is the State Housing Authority, but we should be in a position to participate, if this money is to be spent.

Lafionatis asked if there was to be any cost to the town, and Currier said No. He stated that the \$1800 spent by he own for water extensions paid off, because it saved the town money laying water extensions for the new school on Wildwood Street.

The Moderator called for a vote, and there was a thunderous NO! Currier then moved no action on Article 23.

## Addressograph Authorized

After Currier had resumed the chair, Selectman Woods moved that the town buy a so-called Addressograph, or similar machine, for \$4500. Cushing spoke for the article, and explained the advantages. George Reynolds, a former Assessor doubted if there would be any advantage to the Assessors in use of such a machine. He pleaded for the town to use the \$4500 for lowering the tax rate, and cited the 500 to 1000 changes a year, in Assessing, which, in his opinion made the machine worthless.

Lafionatis asked a question about the feasibility of the machine, and

Elfman arose to caution about the wording. He was assured by the Moderator that the wording was correct. Ralph Babcock, the Comptroller for the Reading Municipal Light, spoke very highly of the machine, saying that it was used a lot in his office.

The Moderator called for the vote. It seemed to some observers that the article had been voted down, but the chair thought otherwise. The vote was doubted, and a standing vote gave 128 in favor, and 21 against.

## Radios Purchased

On motion of Mrs. Drew, \$700 was voted for purchase of two radios, for Police and Tree Departments.

## Trucks Approved

On motion of Kenneth Lyons, \$6024.22 was appropriated for the purchase of two trucks for the Highway Department.

## Power Grader Approved

Selectman Lawlor moved the sum of \$9,428 for a Power Grader. Cushing spoke briefly, explaining the past history. He explained that the grader would cost \$16,500, and that rental would be \$80 a day. He had rented it for \$600 a month, with the option of putting he money towards a purchase. This was strictly a one way option, Cushing stated and if any other company wanted to bid, they were welcome to it. Cushing stated that the town had saved \$11,600 by the deal.

Cushing also related that he had heard that the deal was illegal and he had asked Herbert Barrows, of the Finance Committee to investigate. Barrows had checked with the State Department of Accounts, who had given him a clean bill of health.

The town voted the money.

## Sidewalk Snowplows

John Hartnett, of the School

Board, moved \$5000 for the purchase of two snow plows. Barrows, for the Finance Committee, did not approve. "\$5000 is quite an item, for the sidewalks we have!"

Clifford Good stated that the effort was one of trying to save the lives of the children. He cited conditions on some roads in town, and said that the School Board wanted to go on record as favoring this article.

Cushing defended the present practice of renting a sidewalk snow plow. He stated that only in a major storm was the present practice ineffective, and that in Concord, N. H., 35 Cletracks couldn't do the job, in a major snowstorm.

The town voted against the motion.

## Street Fight

Selectman Black moved for the acceptance by the town of a number of streets named in Article 29. Two streets, Cottage Street, and Garden Avenue, named in the articles were not in Black's list.

John Imbimbo rose to speak eloquently on the problems of Cottage Street. It was one of the oldest streets in town, Imbimbo declared. He read the form letter sent to all streets to be accepted, and accented the part that read to "guarantee the town against damages of any nature." He cited the possibility of blasting damage of Garden Avenue, and wanted to know if any reasonable and prudent person would sign that form. "As bad as I need it (acceptance of Cottage Street) I cannot sign it!" He asked the people to go along with him.

Joe Slater thought Imbimbo's point was well taken, and supported it. Elfman wanted to know if Imbimbo had offered an amendment. The chair questioned Imbimbo, who stated he didn't know

if he could.

The chair then asked the Town Counsel for an opinion. Buzzell stated that an amendment could be made under the clause 'or do anything in relation thereto, providing that the Selectmen had "laid out" the street.

TM Cushing stated that the forms were in use for years, and that no one had anything to fear. He said that the forms were to protect the town if there was a change in drainage, when a new street was put in. A change in drainage could flood a cellar, and then the town could be sued. This form was to protect the town as a whole. Cushing derided gently, the idea that the town wouldn't pay for blasting damage.

Slater doubted if insurance companies would accept Cushings thoughts. Lyons explained that Cottage Street and Garden Avenue had not been "laid out" by the Selectmen. He said that the Selectmen were not seeking to deprive anyone of their rights.

Harris Anstey spoke of when a street was accepted near his house. He has asked the Highway Department to "save a little of the porch." There was no damage, Anstey declared.

Mrs. Imbimbo declared that the town did not use this form when Harvard Avenue and Washington Street were accepted.

Imbimbo again asked the people to bear his troubles in mind.

The vote was called for. One person said Aye, and noone said No. The chair declared the motion carried.

## Article 30 Approved

Mrs. Drew moved for the acceptance of streets in the Hathaway

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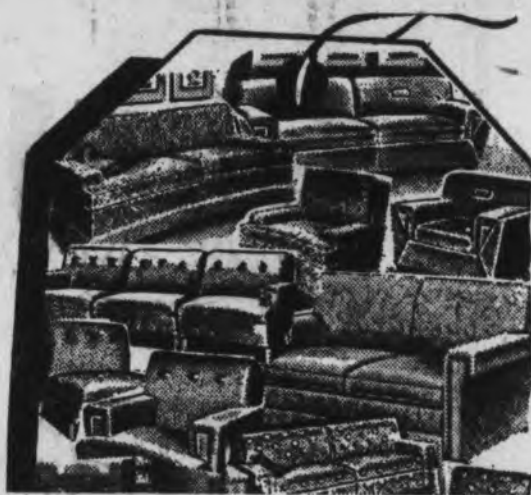
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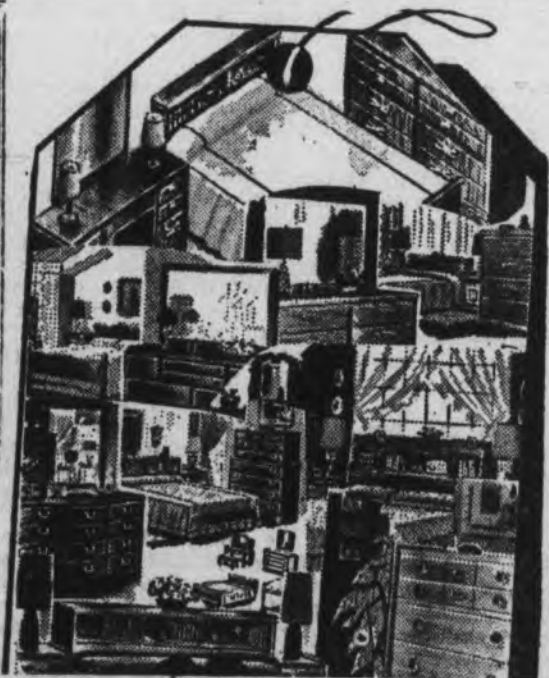
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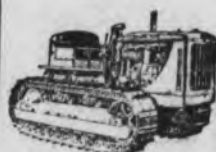
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### TOWN SUSTAINS TM AT TOWN MEETING

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Acres development, and the town voted accordingly.

#### Article 31

Charles Black moved article 31, for the installation of certain street lights. Barrows, of the Finance Committee approved, with the understanding that \$10,000 allocated for this in the Highway Department expenses was all that was to be spent. The town voted the article.

#### Article 32

Article 32, to authorize the town to contract with the Town of Tewksbury for the purchase of water for the Atkins Grove area was moved by Harold Melzar, Chairman of the Water Commissioners. It was voted by the town.

#### Article 33

Article 33, for the extension of Water Mains, was moved by Larz Neilson, of the Water Main Extension Committee, who moved for \$30,000 for extensions.

Harold Melzar commented that the Town Report had no figures on costs of the water department, but stated that the department was not making money, on the contrary, it was losing money. Melzar commented that \$7500 in Hydrant rental had been in last years budget.

TM Cushing opposed the measure, on the grounds of too high cost. He stated that Neilson could have moved to have the money from the Excess and Deficiency account, instead of from General Taxation.

Neilson amended his motion, stating that he had asked for the money to be appropriated because he had understood that this was the way the Finance Committee wanted it. Neilson's amendment called for the money to be taken from the E and D.

Barrows spoke strongly for the article, but stated that \$127,000 had already been taken from E and D, and this \$30,000 would make a total sum of more than \$156,000 in the E and D. Neilson withdrew his amendment.

After some more conversation, Barrows pointed out that part of the money voted from the E and D was in the nature of a temporary loan, and it would be safe to take the money from that fund.

Lyon's moved that the money be taken from E and D, and Neilson accepted Lyon's motion. The town then voted the money, unanimously.

#### Water Meter Committee Voted

Under Article 34, Minot Anderson moved that the Moderator appoint a committee of five persons, to study the Water Meter question and report at a subsequent meeting.

Barrows, of the Finance Committee pointed out that this was altogether different from the Warrant article. "We cannot pass on this article, without knowledge."

Melzar, on a point of order, stated that the motion has no relation

to the article.

The Town Counsel, Buzzell, stated that in view of the subject matter in the Warrant Article, the moved article was in order.

Anderson stated that this was not the action that was in mind when the article was submitted, but in view of some of the objections he had heard he thought it wise to have a study of the question.

The town voted to have the committee.

#### Article 35

Article 35, the "athletes article" was declared to be illegal. Elfman moved that the meeting adjourn. Everyone was already leaving.

The time was 11:20 p.m.

### RESUSCITATOR SAVES LIFE OF CHILD

Prompt thinking by a grandmother, and prompt reaction by the Wilmington Fire Department combined to save the life of Holly Marie Rice, of Linda Road, on March 1st.

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The Wilmington Fire Department called at the same time responded with a resuscitator, and the child was saved from a death by strangulation. Holly was taken to the Children's Hospital, in Boston.

### THREATS OVER TELEPHONE

Mrs. Clara Linde of Woburn Street was threatened, over the telephone, according to a report she gave the police department, at

about noon, on March 6th.

Mrs. Linde, who was at the home of a friend, was called by a person who is thought to be a juvenile, and threatened with death, and that her home would be burned down.

### SPEEDING COMPLAINT IN HATHAWAY ACRES

Residents of Hathaway Acres complained to the Wilmington police on March 3 that home persons were speeding to an excess, in that area.

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